

That Clause after Verbs

Two people talking about sales.

Intermediate English Sound Grammar

B1 Lesson 18 Conversation 2



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1	What do they talk about?	2	Will it be better or worse this year?	3	How was it last year?
a	Sales	a	Probably better	a	Terrific
b	Production	b	Probably worse	b	Terrible
c	Inventory	c	Not sure	c	Great

Part 2: What are the missing words? Use the clue about the number of letters to help you.

Woman: How do you think sales ____ be this year?	1	4 letters
Man: Good. I think ____ will be better than last year.	2	4 letters
Woman: I hope they ____.	3	3 letters
Man: Yeah, last year ____ terrible.	4	3 letters
Woman: ____ was.	5	2 letters
Man: Well, I'm sure we'll do better ____ year.	6	4 letters

Part 3: Match the questions with the answers.

1	Have you ever sold something?	I'm going to be a better friend.
2	Have you had a good year?	Yes, my dog died last December.
3	Was last year terrible for you?	Not really, I'm quite pessimistic.
4	What are you doing better this year?	Yes, this year has been wonderful.
5	Are you an optimist?	Yes, I sold all my jewelry once.

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